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Invention Title <b>TOOL FOR TREATING METALLIC COMPONENTS WITH A SYSTEM FOR MONITORING THE OPERABILITY, AND METHOD OF MONITORING THE OPERABILITY OF A TOOL</b>		Inventor(s) HORSTMANN et al.	

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2. A copy of each patent, publication or other information listed on the modified PTO form 1449 is enclosed.

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**U. S. PATENT DOCUMENTS**

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						YES	NO
	41 07 093*	September 26, 1991	DE				X
	198 28 897+	December 23, 1999	DE				X
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\* - Mentioned in specification.

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**OTHER DOCUMENTS**

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